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BB stars sex NIKKI Grahame was on a high last night as she was reunited with BB ex-love Pete Bennett.
The 24-year-old blonde was hand in hand with punk-haired Pete, also 24, as she beat him to scoop a prestigious honour at the National TV Awards.

Full story and winners: Pages 4 & 5

EXCLUSIVE





NO POPPY: Camilla vesterday





Blair defeats call for probe THE Iraq war has cost British taxpayers £4billion.

The revelation came yesterday as Tony Blair narrowly defeated calls another inquiry into the conflict.

The Government survived a call for a full-scale inquiry into the conflict.

The Government survived a call for a full-scale inquiry into the conflict – by just 25 votes. But Mr Blair was left bloodied by the Commons showdown.

Tory MP Sir Peter Tapsell denounced him as: "More deeply steeped in blood than any Scottish politician since Macbeth."

Official figures confirmed the huge bill just hours before the Commons showdown. Voting was 273 to 298, a majority for the Government of 25.

Lib Dem foreign affairs spokesman Michael Moore said: "Quite apart from the tragic loss of life, the war has cost the British taxpayer dear." We are no nearer understanding the political process that led to the disastrous intervention, nor the Government's strategy for extricating us from the Prince of the Pri

The Ministry of Defence said the conflict cost £950million in the last financial year, up £50m on 2004-05. It cost £1.3bn in

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■ by IAIN BURCHELL

2003-04 and £847m in 2002-03. 2003-04 and \$24/III III 2002-06. Opposition MPs claimed the figures supported demands for a further inquiry into the war and peace-keeping operation.

Weakness

But the call was rejected after the Prime Minister warned it would send a signal of "weakness" to insurgents. Scottish and Welsh nationalists spearheaded the move in a highly-charged three-hour debate. Plaid Cymru MP Adam Price said Mr Blair was so "deluded" he had begun to think of himself as "President of the UK". He said: "There are two Iraqs – the Iraq of George Bush and

the Prime Minister where things are going to plan and getting better all the time, and the real Iraq of murder and mayhem, whose future is uncertain."
Shadow Foreign Secretary William Hague said there was a strong case for an inquiry into an operation that was "so vast, so expensive, so chequered with success and failures".
The vote came after Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett inted there may be a probe in the indefinite future.
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She said an inquiry at the moment would only encourage

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THE deaths of two British airmen shot down by an American Patriot missile system were "entirely avoidable".

A series of "glaring failures" led to their Tornado warplane being labelled a missile threat instead of part of coalition forces in Iraq.

Oxfordshire Assistant Deputy Coroner Andrew Walker singled out for criticism "inadequate" training for staff operating the Patriot missile battery outside the Ali Al Salem air base in Kuwait.

Pilot Flight Lieutenant Kevin Main, 35, and Flight Lieutenant Dave Williams, 37, were shot down as they returned from south-west Baghdad.
Recording a narrative verdict at the Oxford inquest, Mr Walker said: "It is very hard when considering an inquest such as this, where these tragic deaths were entirely avoidable. How best can I deal with that? I can't, other than to say this should not have happened."

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Troops want out

THE Ministry of Defence has admitted an alarming one in five soldiers want to quit the Army "at the earliest opportunity".

Troops blame their over-stretched commitment in trouble spots like Afghanistan and Iraq.

The survey from the MoD also revealed dissatisfaction with the way the Army deals with complaints about bullying, harassment and other unfair treatment.

Some 2,306 Army personnel – both ordinary squaddies and officers – were quizzed for their views between March and July this year.

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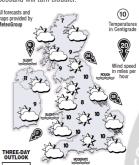
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■ by MARK JEFFERIES
TELLY bosses have
axed Tara PalmerTomkinson from I'm A
Celebrity - and replaced
her with Kelly Osbourne.
Tara, 34, has been co-presenting ITV2's coverage since 2003.
The channel's show gives fans
extra footage and gossip on the
events in the Aussie Jungle.
But bosses have decided to
completely change its format. And
Tara and fellow presenter Matt
Brown, 32, are the casualties.
Instead of having the show live
from Australia, it will come from a



AXED: Tara, top, has been replaced by Kelly

London studio. Comic Brendon Burns will speak to the families and friends of the contestants.

Meanwhile, in Australia, Kelly, 22, will report live from the jungle, revealing all the latest gossip, news and unseen footage.

A source close to Tara said: "She will be gutted not to be involved any more.

"She loves the show and always was a livewire that helped make it so unpredictable and fun.
"It will be interesting to see how Kelly copes with the heat and pressure of working on the show."

An ITV2 spokesman said last night: "The format of the show is evolving all the time.
"It has been revamped and revolutionised for this series.
"We have brought in two new presenters as a result of that."



Col's bag is Dalek-table

COLEEN McLoughlin has admitted she was baffled when her latest designer handbag was compared to a Dalek – because she'd never heard of Doctor Who's robotic enemies. "I had to ask what a Dalek was. Now I know, I don't mind," she says.

NATIONAL TELLY AWARDS: From Big Brother



WHO'S WON AGAIN: Tardis stars Billie Piper and David Tennant were all smiles



NEW BOY: Charlie Clements with co-star Lacey Turner

David Attenborough

Most popular reality programme: Big Brother Most popular actor: David Tennant Most popular newcomer: Charlie Clements, EastEnders Most popular soap: EastEnders
Most popular entertain-

ment programme: The X Factor Most popular daytime programme: Deal or No Deal

Most popular factual programme: Top Gear Most popular actress: Billie Piper Most popular quiz programme: Ant and Dec's Game Show Marathon Most popular drama:
Doctor Who

Most popular entertainment presenter: Ant and Dec Most popular TV contender: Nikki Grahame, **Big Brother** Most popular comedy: Little Britain TV landmark: David Walliams for swimming the Channel Special recognition: Sir

■ by NIGEL PAULEY
JILTED Nikki Grahame went from Big
Brother loser in love to telly's biggest
winner last night.
The troubled 24-year-old provided the big shock at
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The troubled 24-year-old provided the big shock at the National TV Awards.

She took sweet revenge on the man who dumped her—Tourette's sufferer Pete Bennett – by beating him to be named Britain's favourite reality TV star.

It was a stunning reversal of fortunes for the petite blonde, whose life has unravelled since she left Channel 4's top reality TV show.

Nikki, who was humiliated by BB winner Pete when he dumped her just after the show ended, won the TV Contender award at the star-studded bash in London. She beat Pete, Celebrity Big Brother winner Chantelle Houghton, 23, I'm A Celeb's Carol Thatcher, 53, and Soapstar Superstar's Richard Fleeshman, 17.

Nikki revealed she and made up. She said: "We are friends again now. All the animosity between us has gone."

Shock

She also said she liked Pete's new bright hairstyle, adding: "It is red and pink, I like pink, it is my favourite colour."

Nikki and Pete even posed together for photos on the red carpet. She added: "I'm really enjoying myself. It's a massive achievement just for me to be nominated."

And there was an even bigger shock when fallen star Michael Barrymore handed Nikki her gong. Barrymore, 54 — who made a comeback earlier this year in Celebrity Big Brother — was smuggled into the Royal Albert Hall. Nikki was famous for her tantrums and went on to star in her own show Princess Nikki on E4. She also joined Pete on stage to collect the best reality show prize on behalf of Big Brother. An NTA source said: "Nikki svictory was the most surprising result. "Nikki has proved much more popular than Pete. It certainly is a wonderful case of revenge for her." Ant, 30, and Dec, 31, up for a record four awards, ended up with two — for most popular entertainers and most popular entertainers and most popular entertainers and most popular entertainers and most popular entertainers for the BGC's Sci-Fi hit Doctor Who, which was most popular drama. Stars David Temant, 35, and Temant,

stars David Tennant, 35, and Billie Piper, 24, also went home with the best actor and actress awards.
EastEnders was named best soap for the second year running – once again

FRIENDS: Pete and Nikki

leaving rival Coronation
Street in the shade.
And 19-year-old Charlie
Clements - Albert Square's
Bradley Branning - was
also celebrating as he was
named best newcomer.
Deal Or No Deal was
named best daytime show
to complete 57-year-old
Noel Edmonds' comeback.
And jet car crash victim
Richard Hammond, 36,
helped Top Gear win best
factual programme.

Babes

Louis Walsh and Sharon Osbourne, both 54, and Simon Cowell, 47, showed they had the X Factor to retain the best entertainment show gong.

Little Britain's Matt Lucas, 32, and David Walliams, 35, scooped best comedy, and Walliams won the TV Landmark category after swimming the Channel for Sport Relief.

Super sexy Kate Price gothed it up for Hallowen as she unveiled a new dark look at the bash.

The 28-year-old glamour girl – alias Jordan – was joined on the red carpet by abes including Hollyoaks' Gemma Merna, 22, and Corrie's Tina O'Brien, 23.

The event received a record 2 Smillion works I

The event received a record 2.8million votes. It is being screened by ITV1 at 8pm tonight, hosted by Sir Trevor McDonald, 67.



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We already know the Government peddled dodgy stories about weapons of mass destruction to sell their war against a country that posed zero threat to Britain.

Now doubters - including some of Tony Blair's own MPs - have demanded an inquiry into why the Prime Minister led us into a war that has cost Britain £4 billion.

War leader Blair says an inquiry would undermine our troops who are still out there.

That's a political version of a <u>human shield – and it's just as </u> cowardly as the one that dictator <u>Saddam Hussein used.</u>

The troops deserve to know exactly why they are risking their lives. And so do the relatives of the 120 soldiers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

War always has casualties but this time the truth must not be one of them.

Pete's no role model

PETE DOHERTY is the country's most famous junkie.
On today's Page 30, the true

extent of his wasted life is laid bare

The singer lives in squalor in a flat where he paints pictures in his own blood, wallows in filth and injects his life away.

Many misguided fans who don't

know the horrors of drugs think he is a dream role model.

We hope our revelations will show them that Doherty's addiction has helped kill off his musical talent, not inspire it.

If this fails, then it is time for the courts to make him an example – by sending him to prison for his drug crimes.

Posh dosh

VICTORIA BECKHAM went on an eight-hour marathon shopping session yesterday.

Well, the shops had to shut at some point.



I THE ROLLING STONES
£4million per performance.
IF YOU want the bus-pass bad
boys strutting their stuff around
your gaff, you'll need extra-deep
pockets.

pockets.
Texan billionaire David Bonderman forked out the mind-boggling fee for Sir Mick Jagger, 63, and Keith Richards, 62, (above) and pals to help celebrate his 60th birthday in 2002.

THE EAGLES

73.75m per performance.
THE band stormed back to the top of the big time with their "Hell Freezes Over" reunion tour in

Then they realised rich punters Then they realised rich punters would pay big bucks for private renditions of Hotel California – and started hiring out their services accordingly. A source said: "They are among the most expensive music acts ever to hire for a private gig."

CELINE DION

CANADIAN warbler Celine, 38, is quick to cash in on fans of her heavy-handed ballads by on the through through trains (

My Heart Will Go On.

At £3.3m a pop,
Celine is right to look after her voice. She doesn't speak unless spoken to, and drinks huge amounts of tea with honey to preserve her precious vocal cords.

CHRISTINA AGUILERA

£1.8m per performance. mance.
THIS Dirrty girl cleans up when she does a private show.
A Russian billionaire

A Russian billionaire paid the sexy singer, 25, nearly £2m to belt out just three songs at his wedding to a former Miss Yugoslavia.

ELTON JOHN

£1m per performance.
TANTRUM-prone Sir
Elton, 59, charged a
British multimillionaire

seven-figure sum to play at his wedding reception. the And canny per-former also signed a huge
Las Vegas
lock-in deal
worth more than

£30m.

He has clearly made the most of his star quality

£900,000 per performance. IF Macca ends up pay-ing out a huge share of his £1bn fortune to estranged ex Heather Mills,

AEROSMITH
£550,000 per performance.
THESE rockers played at Orlando
Convention Centre in Florida in
2001 for bosses and workers of
top firm Sapphire Technologies.
The Love In An Elevator
hit-makers apparently went down
a storm. 38, he can at least console himself with earning loads more dosh quick-smart.

quick-smart.
Sir Paul, 64,
will even let
you choose 19
songs for him to play – and give
you change from £1m.

BEYONCE KNOWLES

ELTON

650,000 per performar HOT babe Beyoncé, earned this tidy sum fo strutting her stuff and singing a few num-bers at a Bar Mitzvah in the south of France in 2002. Raunchy R&B

Raunchy R&E star Beyoncé is reportedly fast-becoming a favourite on the ncé is fastprivate gig circuit.
One insider said:
"When she walks by you can instant-ly see the jaws of all the male guests just drop."

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\$500,000 per performance.

CAN'T afford anyone else? Hiphop king Busta Rhymes, 34, can rock up to your bash eight times for the price of a one-off gig by the Stones.

A source close

A source close to the star to the star said: "He's got a big ego, and he would really like to charge little more.

"But he realises he is up against some of the biggest stars of all time."

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BEYONCÉ

■ by JOHN MAHONEY

CELEBRITY lawyer Nick "Mr Loophole" Freeman has pledged his innocence after being held on suspicion of per-

verting the course of justice.

The solicitor, whose clients have included Sir Alex Ferguson and David

The solicitor, whose clients have included Sir Alex Ferguson and David Beckham, 31, was quizzed for 12 hours after being detained on Monday. The 49-year-old was held over allegations of a plot to pervert the course of justice. Police sources said the alleged offence relates to a case in south Wales where he successfully got a driver off a motoring charge on the grounds of an illness. Yesterday the millionaire father of two, speaking outside his £2.5million mansion in Mere, Cheshire, said: "I can't go into any details at all in relation to these allegations, other than to say I am totally innocent of the allegations made against me."

Mr Freeman and a 45-year-old man were arrested by Greater Manchester police on behalf of Gwent police in south Wales, who are heading the inquiry.

He was taken from his Manchester city centre office at 11am on Monday and quizzed at Pendleton police station, Salford. He was freed at 11.30pm and returned home to his ex-model wife Stephanie, 42.

Mr Freeman and the other man have been bailed until next month.

Blunders

The lawyer, who has represented celebs including model Caprice, 35, has been a thorn in the side of police for years by exposing blunders by officers and technicalities which have led to hundreds of acquittals for motoring offences.

acquittals for motoring offences. He has secured courtroom victories for a host of
sports stars, including footballers Dwight Yorke, 34,
Lee Bowyer, 29, and golfer
Colin Montgomerie, 43.
He got Manchester
United boss Sir Alex, 64,
off a charge of driving on a motorway hard shoulder
by arguing he desperately
needed to go to the loo.
A spokesman for Gwent
Police said: "The arrests
form part of an ongoing
criminal investigation."

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WHAT A RESULT: The solicitor with Lee Bowyer



ON THE BALL: Dwight Yorke won court battle



PUTT IT THERE: Freeman and Montgomerie

SINGER Charlotte Church's ex-boyfriend was jailed yesterday for 12

months after a street attack.
Kyle Johnson, 21, who split with the
TV star, 20, early last year, admitted
violent disorder.
The former hotel worker, his two
brothers and two friends laid into a
nightclub reveller and then attacked

■ by TOM BEDFORD

a man who helped him, Cardiff Crown Court court heard Neither victim has been traced since the attack outside the city's La Tantra nightclub in April. But it was caught on CCTV by police and prosecutor Tony Trigg

said: "Johnson's brother Kane punched a man who was leaving the club and the others joined in." Kyle's twin brother Kertis was jailed for 16 months and brother Kane, 17, was given 12 months in a young offenders' institution. Pals Keiron Reid, 20, and Jonathan Crook, 26, each got 12 months.



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Dad's rescue agony

by JERRY LAWTON
POISONED dad Neil
Shepherd crawled across
his holiday burgalow in a
vain bid to save his
children.
He heard daughter
Christianne, seven, and
Robert, six, moaning.
Neil, 38, got to the girl
but collapsed and she was
found dead in his arms at
the chalet in Corfu.
Security police chief
Major Dimitris Binleris
said: "He did what he
could to save her before
losing his senses."

Anger

Robert was lying dead face down next to Neil's partner Ruth Beatson, 27. The police chief said testimony from Neil, of Wakefield, West Yorks, confirmed poisonous gas was the sole cause of death. "Their father is now terribly distressed, full of anger at those who let this happen," he added.

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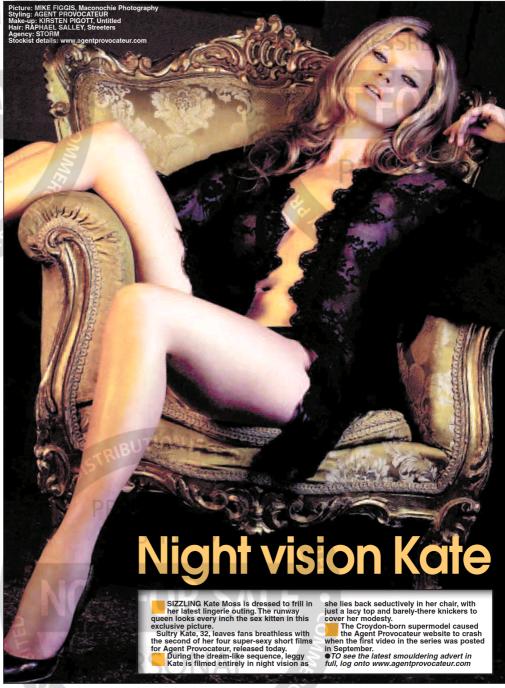
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HOSPITAL: Pete and Kate yesterday

TROUBLED rocker Pete TROUBLED rocker Pete Doherty dashed to hospital yesterday after he was injured - trying on Kate Moss's rings.

The Babyshambles frontman, 27, got one stuck and was left in agony as his finger swelled up.

He spent two hours in casualty at the Princess Grace Hospital in

■ by NADINE LINGE

central London. Doctors cut off

central London. Doctors cut off the gold band as Pete's supermodel fiancée Kate, 32, held his other hand, wincing in sympathy. Earlier the singer axed two gigs in Germany because he was "not fit enough to perform". He is unlikely to play in Berlin tonight. A spokesman for Pete said: "His finger was very painful which

meant he couldn't play the gigs.
He had hospital treatment, but
the weekend gigs in Norway and
Sweden are still on."
Crack addict Pete, dressed in
torn jeans and a military-style
dark green jacket, left hospital
late yesterday afternoon with
Kate at his side.
Crazy world of Pete
Doherty: Page 30
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STAR NEWS

Halloween Screamer can halt £25k shopping

■ by MARIANNA PARTASIDES WHEN the going gets tough, the tough go shopping – and in Posh's case for a marathon eight hours.

eight hours. Shopaholic Victoria Beckham racked up a bill of more than £25,000 during a spree

racked up a bill of more than £25,000 during a spree yesterday.

And the only thing that finally stopped her shopping was a Halloween shock. After a joker in a Scream mask jumped out at her, she finally called it a day. Yesterday we revealed how her husband, former England skipper David, 31, was feeling the strain over his future at Real Madrid.

While he stayed in Spain, Victoria, 32, had jetted to London to promote her new book. That Extra Half An Inch.

A host of celeb stylists have laid into her fashion sense and tips after reading the book.

But Posh showed she's still tops for fashion shopping, splashing the cash in more than a dozen swanky designer shops as she was shuttled across London in the Beckham family Bentley.

Onlookers said it looked like she was snapping up an all-new wardrobe, with at least 30 bags of goodies – too much to fit in the cavernous boot of the Bentley.

Giggle

Victoria stopped off at Stella McCartney in Mayfair, before hitting Chanel in Bond Street. She also popped into ultra-chic Chloe, Paul & Joe, Matches and Joseph stores nearby.

After pausing for a glass of bubbly and a giggle with her sister Louise, 28, in trendy shoe shop Christian Louboutin, she continued her spree at the Diane von Furstenberg, Gucci and Yves Saint Laurent stores.

She also checked out Rolex watches at antique gem specialists Bentley & Skimner.

But at Brit designer Alexander McQueen's shop in Bond Street, she finally called a halt when the mystery Scream fan leapt out. Victoria's massive spree yesterday came after she fulfilled a charity date at Oxfam in Notting Hill.

And, despite riffling through the charity shop's second-hand clothes rails, that was just about the only place she failed to make a purchase.

Earlier yesterday, Posh had come under fire from some stylists

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Posh had come under
fire from some stylists
to the stars over her
new fashion book.
Fee Doran, who styles
singers Kylie Minogue,
38, and Madoma, 48, said: "She's
trying to make out she's one of the
girls, but looks so snarly and
bitchy in the photos that she
doesn't succeed.
"She's so up her own a*se. It's all
'Me, me, me'."

Icon

Another stylist, known only as Mr Gammon – who works with Brit beauty Keira Knightley, 21, added: "I think she'd like to believe she's a style icon, although I don't particularly think she is one."

And TV's Nicky Hambleton-Jones, who fronts hit makeover show 10 Years Younger, said of Victoria's book: "There's not that much useful content that the average person can take away."

Meanwhile Victoria has revealed the real reason she ditched her long hair extensions – they got in the way of having sax with Becks.

Trendy Victoria said she went for the chop after too many nights of sizzling passion ended with clumps of her barnet falling out. And in the end, David told her: "The hair has to go."

Victoria said: "You can be in the midst of a bit of passion, then you have a bloody hair extension fly out. It can be a bit embarrassing!"

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PENNY'S

DROPPED

FROSTY Heather Mills broke into a sunny smile after talking money with her lawyer yesterday.

Lady Mucca came out beaming from her meeting with hotshot Anthony Julius, 50, who helped Princess Diana in her split from Charles, 57.

Heather, 38, forgot to flash her usual cold stare after talks about her share of estranged 64-year-old husband Sir Paul McCartney's £1bn fortune.

Sign

An onlooker said: "Maybe her lawyer gave her some good news."

Later at the rail-way station Heather passed a sign saying: "The Penny's Dropped".

Our witness added: "It was quite funny, given she might at last be realising how much the public against her."

And Heather – who lost a leg in a

■ by CAMERON MILLAR

1993 motorcycle smash – found herself embroiled in a row last night after a TV presenter claimed she uses her disability for attention.

Panelists on ITV daytime chat show Loose Women were discussing 45-year-old BBC star Jonathan Ross's jibes at the Q Awards, where he said he wouldn't be surprised if Heather had two legs, and dubbed her "a f***ing liar".



Loose Women anchor Kaye Adams, 42, asked the panel what they thought about Jonathan's speech —

MESSAGE: Heather at station

realising how has turned end in the public of the promote of the program of the pr

Bath attack on boy 'a copy of Soham murder'







CORONATION Street has come under fire over a storyline which viewers

storyline which viewers say has chilling echoes of the Soham murders. Crazed Charlie Stubbs was seen trying to drown young David Platt in a bath in the ITV1 soap.

in a bath in the ITV1 soap.

And viewers have complained that it was a copy of the horrific murder of schoolgir! Holly Wells, 10.

She was drowned in the bath of killer Ian Huntley's home four years ago. Her best friend Jessica Chapman, 10, was also killed by the school caretaker in Soham, Cambs.

Terrified

Telly watchdog group Ofcom is now investigating the complaints to discover whether the episode, screened on Monday night, broke

screened on Monday right, b its code of conduct.

The episode showed sex-cheat builder Charlie – played by Bill Ward, 39 – tricking the terrified teenager into his lover

■ by MILA VUCEVIC

Maria's flat, tying his arms behind his back and repeatedly plunging his head into a bath full of ice-cold water. David (Jack Shepherd, 18) was left desperately gasping for air. Corrie bosses even cut a hole in the

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ended when Maria (Samia Smith, 24) returned home.

A spokesman for Ofcom confirmed vesterday that they were investigating after viewers complained that the scene was sick and offensive.

Huntley, 32, who is serving two life sentences for the murders of the two schoolgirls, is believed to have drowned Holly in the bath before smothering Jessica in August 2002.

The bodies of the schoolgirls were found 13 days later.

Upset

A Corrie spokesman said last night: "We have had a small number of calls in relation to this storyline. "This was behaviour that was in keeping with the character of Charlie Stubbs and our intention is never to offend or upset people. "We don't see that there can be a comparison between the horrendous events in Soham and Charlie's bullying tactics towards David."

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BRUSH-OFF: Sarah and, inset, Russ

EVEN
after a
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Sarah
Harding
proved she's
got standards by blowing out
Russell Brand.
The sexy blonde was 1

onde was having a hoot with bandmate **Cheryl Cole**, 23, at London's Grosvenor House hotel Q Awards after-party when The Brand approached her.

An onlooker said: "Russell was straight over to her. He loves all of them in **Girls Aloud** but it was clear he made a definite beeline for Sarah.

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"He was larking around and Sarah couldn't stop giggling at him. He also kept cracking jokes.

"Russell gave each of the girls a hug and then whispered something naughty in Sarah's ear. She found it hilarious and couldn't

stop herself from laughing. Then he whispered something else and Sarah mocked up a look of shock before trying to politely slip away.

"But she needn't have worried long because Cheryl was by her side like a flash.

"And with one two of Sarah's arm."

"And with one tug of Sarah's arm, Cheryl and Sarah went to find the other girls whilst Russell was stood there looking somewhat sheepish.
"He realised a few people were staring so he turned on his heel and left to find his people. You'd never have thought this was the same guy who hams up his success when it comes to chatting up women."

Settle

We salute sassy Sarah for her attitude. Speaking to us earlier the 25-year-old told us how she just wants to settle down and find the right fella. We're happy to report it's obviously not Brand, 31.

But it seems Brand is fast losing his female fan base.

Denise Van Outen, 32, didn't hold back her oning myben asked about her.

Denise Van Outen, 32, dun't noid back her opinion when asked about her favourite and not so favourite shows. She said: "I can't bear to watch anything with Russell Brand in it. He really irritates me and I just find him very false." Maybe Sarah agrees?

GOT SOME JUICY GOSS

2006

HUSH HUSH

WHICH musician was so miffed about missing out on a gong, he tried to pilfer one of his rival's awards? Rather embarrassingly, a Q Awards bigwig caught him in mid-snaffle. And the rocker received a thorough tichlingoff, worthy of a naughty schoolboy, in front of his stunned musical peers. The only thing he ended up taking home was a bruised ego and gnawed fists.

WE'VE been praying for somebody to push smug gooder Bono, 46, off his p box for so long, owe can't thank Amy nehouse, 23, enough for ng the honours by heckling h while he collected U2's ard of Awards. Words haven't en invented to describe our

OUR pleasure at the ceremony was greatly marred when Cheryl Cole, 23, announced her delicious feuu with Charlotte Church, 20, is over. She said: "I've been watching her show and I think it's fantastic." It hink we'd really get on. I find myself laughing at things she said. The whole thing got out of hand."





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I CAN'T help but feel that Noel Gallagher and Alex "Arctic Monkeys" Turner were being a bit lazy having a pop at Take That at the Q Awards. They're smart guys and it would have been more impressive if they'd got onstage and slagged The Killers for having ridiculous new moustaches. Or Bono for, well, pretty much everything he's said in the last decade.

Don't get me wrong – I want my music stars slagging each other off. But Manic Street Preachers' Nicky

Wire showed once again why he is the master of things like this by announcing: "Give me Take That over Arctic Monkeys any day."
While I wouldn't go that far, the fact is that Take That's comeback single Patience is – deep breath here – a pretty damn good song.
There is little musical difference between it and recent offerings by Keane, Coldplay or The Feeling.
And Howard looks good these days. Like Aerosmith's Steve Tyler after eating only ples and beer for a year.

"VE heard some daft things in my life, but trying to save the environment by making flights more expensive is currently on the shelf marked "Daftest".

The theory goes that pollution from planes is playing merry hell with the environment, so if they add extra tax to flights that will stop people flying.

What cock! For starters, it will hit poorer punters and smaller businesses. The people who can't afford to do it much anyway.

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Big business and rich pop stars – the ones who fly all the time and cause all this pollution – will not suffer at all. The extra cost for the flight will just be swallowed up when their smarty-pants accountants claim it back as a "legitimate business expense".

Meanwhile, the family who get one cut-price flight to Spain each year won't be able to afford it. So they'll take the car. The big fuel-guzzling, air-polluting car.

Only by this time, all the rest who can't afford the plane will also be on the road. Causing one whacking great traffic jam from John O'Groats to Malaga while Mother Nature gags and vomits another hole in the cozne layer. And let's not forget, by that time, the introduction of a load of road tolls will hit the average punter so square and firmly in the pocket, they may not get up again.

Of course we can always get the train, can't we? That's environmentally friendlier. Mind you, this is mostly because it often sits there in a station. Delayed.

David Cameron. sadly, is

friendlier. Mind you, this is mostly because it often sits there in a station. Delayed. David Cameron, sadly, is so desperate to appear greener than the Incredible Hulk, he's already said he'd support an increase on flight taxes. Indeed, he says he will even put a windmill and solar panels on 10 Downing Street. Yeah, right. Something tells me the planning permission will be a bitch as I feel it may be something of a listed building.

The written many times in these pages about the need for us to be more

about the need for us to be more environmentally responsible and I go mental if one single recyclable beer can gets put in the nappy bin. And, yes, if it does, I strick my hand in there and fish it out. So let me tell you there is NOBODY who goes further to save the planet than me. But simply putting the price up on everything is not the answer. It doesn't work. How many people do you know who've given up smoking due to the cost? And how many people give

smoking due to the cost?
And how many people give
up drink at Budget time if
Gordon Brown adds a
penny to a pint? None.
By adding extra taxes to
things that cause environmental harm, the Covern-

ment is effectively wanting to solve the problem by sitting back and doing

nothing.

Which is what got the planet in this state in the first place.

T was only a week ago that I mused upon the political correctness I feared would start to dominate the BBC's remake of Robin Hood.

Lo and behold, last Saturday he's quoting the Koran.

No problem there. It's a beautiful book with some great wisdom.
But so is the Bible. T was only a

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And there's no And there's no way the BBC would have Robin Hood quoting that, lest he cause offence in some quarters.

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UST how sick is that joke Jonathan Ross made about Heather Mills McCartney the other day?

Suggesting that she was such a liar, we should check to make sure she doesn't have two legs

after all. For someone to have a horrible accident in which they lose a limb is terrible. To be mocked about this sad state of affairs is truly heartless.

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because I absolutely p*ssed myself when I read about it.

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Bond's ace at poker

by JERRY LAWTON
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learn how to play cards
like a pro for new Bond
movie Casino Royale,
Film bosses feared the
growing army of online
poker fans would spot any
screen howlers.
So they hired an expert
to teach Texas Hold 'Em to
the 38-year-old star.

Clangers

Bond has three nail-biting scenes at the poker table so producer Michael Wilson brought in top man Dr Martin Sambrook to coach Craig and the other stars. Martin said: "When I first read the script there were a few clangers, one of which I am thrilled they changed.

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"I'm sure 99% of the film's viewers wouldn't have noticed. But that other 1% would be talking about it for months."
You can see how Bond gets on when the movie opens on November 16.

ID theft soaring

THE identities of more than 100,000 Brits are stolen each year by internet hackers, it has beem revealed. The average false ID is worth £85,000 to organised crooks. And by 2010 the number targeted could have doubled. Crime expert Dr Emily Finch said: "There is more info than ever circulating about individuals."



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FLIGHT OF FANCY: The Boeing 787 will be in the air in two years



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FORGET bling, cars and mega mansions – the new must-have accessory is a luxury airliner. While regular celebs and millionaires make do with tiny private jets, the superwealthy are shelling out for customised Boeing 787s.

The 787 – which takes to the skies in 2008 – is designed to carry up to 330 passengers and costs up to £98million.
But the eye-wateringly wealthy can order a souped-up version of the

■ by LIZZIE CATT

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plane that is more like a flying hotel.

It sleeps 32 and has a lounge stuffed full of sofas and tables and a 50-inch plasma telly.

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Designer Andrew Winch said: "Our team and Lufthansa Technik's designers want to show the possibilities are endless." designers want to show the possibilities are endless."



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Heat is off as Arctic blasts UK

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BRITS basking in the record autumn heat were last night warned to brace them-selves for the big chill.

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Forecasters say a cold snap will hit tonight, sending temperatures plunging as low as minus 4C (25F).

Met Office forecaster John Hammond said: "At the weekend it was almost 2OC (88F) in some parts of the country.

"But people who have been wearing T-shirts in this exceptionally mild weather are going to notice a big change.

"It will be time to bring the bobble hats and scarves out. We are going to get a blast of air from the Arctic Circle."

The Met Office confirmed yesterday that this has been the hottest autumn since records began back in 1659. September and October's average temperature was 14.9C (58.8F).

Falling

But that is all set to change, with daytime temperatures tipped to fall to 5C (41F) in southern England and 3C (37.4F) in northern England and Scotland over the coming days. And night-time temperatures will become even colder, falling to as low as minus 4C (25F). With two months left, 2006 is still on course to be the hottest year ever in the UK - beating the record set in 2003, according to the Met Office. Forecaster Mr Hammond said: "I would not be at all surprised if this is the hottest-ever year. Eight out of the 10 hottest years on record have come since 1989 and 2006 is looking like it will beat them all. "Our climate research shows that the rapid increase in temperatures is almost certainly down to global warming."
But a hot summer is no guarantee of a mild winter. Experts are predicting an icy start to 2007, with temperatures well below average in January and February.

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Kevin, 28, said he and
Britney, 24, were "filthy
rich" but Sean Preston,
one, and their baby son
Jayden James might be
better off in the country.

Boozy lifestyle makes stressed Brits look ages older



THE boozy, stressed-out lifestyles of many Brits are putting years on

their appearance.
Junk food, pollution and too much sun are also blamed for prematurely ageing their skin by an average of three years.

They are getting old before their time with party-loving Geordies and Londoners the worst victims, according to new research.

People from the north-east – like fallen soccer idol Paul Gascoigne, 39 – are likely to look three-and-ahalf years older than their actual age. Those in north-east London will look three

■ by ELIZABETH JAMES

years 11 months older. The Welsh and those in the south-east have the youngest skin in Britain, according to dermatologists skm. They created a formula by using factors like stress, sleep levels, diet, social habits, sun exposure and pollution levels.

Worry

A survey of 1,479 people found 55% are not comfortable in their own skin. In Wales an amazing 64% admit they don't feel confident, compared to 48% in Scotland – the happiest

region. Women (41%) are far more likely to worry over their skin than men (24%). Dermatologist Dr Sean Lanigan, group medical director at skin, said: "The skin is a barometer for our general well-being so those not feeling comfortable should address various lifestyle factors.

"Plenty of things can be done to reduce the ageing process, the simplest being to drink more water, avoid harmful UV rays and stop smoking. We are all going to age but there are skin treatments that can hold back the years."

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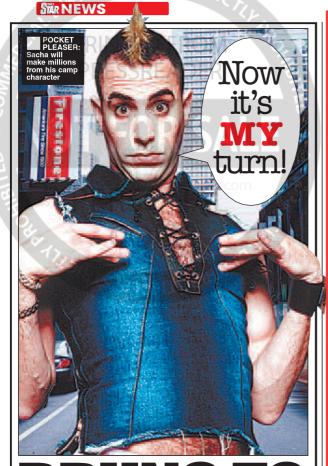
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COMIC Sacha Baron Cohen has landed a huge £25million film deal for his camp character Bruno

And the outrageous Austrian fash-ion victim is set to be another world-wide smash, just like bungling

wide smash, just like bur Kazakh reporter Borat. Gay Bruno, the "voice of Austrian youth TV", has already upset loads of unsuspecting victims on his telly outlings. Now hot property Baron Cohen, 35,

Baron Cohen, 35, has linked up with Universal Studios to bring him to the big screen.

The news comes hot on the heels of his

box-office smash with Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious

Make Benefit Glorious
Nation of Kazakhstan.
An industry insider in
LA said last night: "Borat set the cat
among the pigeons, but Bruno will push
things much further. He'll be going into
the heart of US redneck country to ask

■ by CAMERON MILLAR

about really personal things. People in many parts of the States are not used to getting cosy with camp foreigners so the fur will fly!"

Bruno has upset almost as many people as Borat. He once outraged a churchman by asking what kinds of gay behaviour were acceptable.

He first appeared in the TV series Da Ali G Show and is the third of Baron Cohen's characters to make a film.

characters to make a film.
Just weeks ago Baron Cohen outraged Kazakhs with his Borat act when he claimed rape was a national pastime.
Baron Cohen antics have upset almost the entire population of Kazakhstan, the Kazakh ambassador to the USA, of Staines, American

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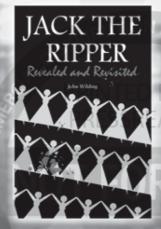
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